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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Mail Stop: AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed 2 June 2006, please consider the following. A one month extension of time to respond up to and including 2 October 2006, along with a credit card payment authorization form for the requisite fee is included herewith. Please charge any additional fees which may be due or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 12-2424, but not to include any payment of issue fees.

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